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Application of Union Electric)
Company and Central Illinois)
Public Service Company,)
For Confidential Treatment)
of Certain Reports Filed)
with the Illinois Commerce)
Commission.)

Docket No. 01-0353

**REQUEST OF UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY
AND CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FOR
CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF CERTAIN DATA
CONTAINED IN FERC FORM NO. 1: ANNUAL REPORT OF MAJOR ELECTRIC
UTILITIES, LICENSEES, AND OTHERS**

COME NOW Central Illinois Public Service Company (d/b/a AmerenCIPS) and Union Electric Company (d/b/a AmerenUE), ("collectively referred to as "Ameren"), pursuant to 220 ILCS §5/4-404, and request the Commission to grant proprietary and confidential treatment of the identified material, upon the following grounds:

1. AmerenUE and AmerenCIPS are public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Illinois Commerce Commission.
2. Under applicable law, AmerenUE and AmerenCIPS must report statistics and information listing highly confidential and proprietary information regarding generation facilities.
3. The attached Exhibits A and B reference the Schedules for which we are requesting confidential treatment along with the reasons why this data should be so considered.
4. Such reports contain highly sensitive confidential and proprietary information which if made available to the public would harm Ameren in the conduct of its business and provide unfair advantage to its competitors.

5. Ameren has requested that similar reports filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and with the Missouri Public Service Commission be maintained on a confidential basis.

6. 220 ILCS §5/4-404 provides as follows:

§4-404. Protection of confidential and proprietary information. The Commission shall provide adequate protection for confidential and proprietary information furnished, delivered or filed by any person, corporation or other entity.

7. This section requires the Commission to protect confidential information. It is not at all clear that an Application must be filed to obtain confidential treatment, or whether designation by the submitting party in good faith of material as "confidential" would be sufficient to create a rebuttable presumption. Nonetheless, until the Commission procedures in this regard are clarified, Ameren has elected to follow a cautious approach and requests that the Commission issue its order in this matter granting confidential treatment of the attached materials and to such similar reports as will be filed in the future. Public and confidential versions of the reports are being submitted.

WHEREFORE Ameren respectfully requests the Commission to enter its order granting confidential treatment to those portions of the FERC Form 1 identified herein filed by Ameren from this date and for each such form in the future submitted through and including June 1, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

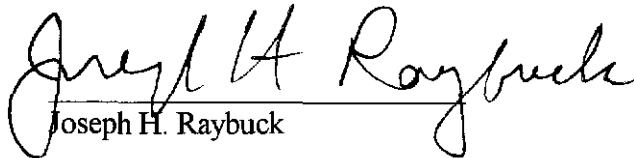
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY



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VERIFICATION

Joseph H. Raybuck, first duly sworn states that he is an attorney representing the above companies, that he is authorized to submit this Request, and that the facts stated therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.


Joseph H. Raybuck

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of April, 2001.



K. A. BELL
Notary Public — Notary Seal
STATE OF MISSOURI
St. Louis County
My Commission Expires: October 13, 2002